

REMARKS

Claim 5 has been amended as set forth above. Entry of this Amendment in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.114 is respectfully requested, noting that this Amendment is filed as a Submission with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) on even date herewith.

Claim 5 has been amended in order to delete the language describing the “ignition device” as a digital control system, which language was objected to as being new matter. It is submitted that amended claim 5 is supported in the specification and should be allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and accompanying remarks, it is submitted that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. A prompt and favorable reconsideration of the rejection and an indication of allowability of all pending claims are earnestly solicited.

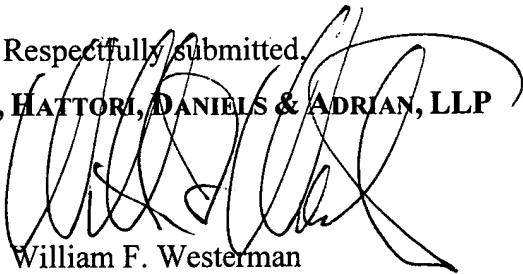
If the Examiner believes that there are issues remaining to be resolved in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite and complete prosecution of this case.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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